WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3650

IN THE	MATTER	OF:
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Served March 27, 1991

Issuance of Certificate of)	Case No. MP-91-02
Authority No. 86 to ERNEST)	
HARRELSON Trading as NATION'S)	
CAPITAL SIGHTSEEING TOURS)	

Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86, issued pursuant to the Compact 1/, Title II, Article XII, Section 4. On February 1, 1991, an amended Compact 2/ became effective. The amended Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 6 provides:

- "6. (a) A person may not engage in transportation subject to this Act unless there is in force a 'Certificate of Authority' issued by the Commission authorizing the person to engage in that transportation.
- "(b) On the effective date of this Act a person engaged in transportation subject to this Act under an existing 'Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity' or order issued by the Commission shall be issued a new 'Certificate of Authority' within 120 days after the effective date of this amendment.
- "(c)(i) Pending issuance of the new Certificate of Authority, the continuance of operations shall be permitted under an existing certificate or order issued by the Commission which will continue in effect on the effective date of this Act.
- "(ii) The operations described in paragraph (i) of this subsection shall be performed according to the rates, regulations, and practices of the certificate holder on file with the Commission on the effective date of this Act.

The amended Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 9(b) provides:

A certificate issued by the Commission authorizing irregular-route service shall be coextensive with the Metropolitan District.

^{1/} Public Law 86-794, 74 Stat. 1031, as amended by Public Law 87-767, 76 Stat. 764.

^{2/} Id. as amended by Public Law 101-505, 104 Stat. 1300.

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IT IS A FURTHER CONDITION of this certificate of authority that the carrier named hereon shall (a) provide safe and adequate transportation service, equipment, and facilities; and (b) observe and enforce Commission regulations.

3. That unless Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours complies with the requirements of Commission Regulation 58 and Order No. 3623 prior to Thursday, April 4, 1991, Certificate of Authority No. 86 will stand suspended in its entirety as of Thursday, April 4, 1991.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS WORTHY, SCHIFTER, AND SHANNON:

William H. McGilvery Executive Director

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86 issued to Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours authorizes only irregular route transportation. Accordingly, Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours is entitled to be issued a Certificate of Authority authorizing irregular route transportation coextensive with the Commission's jurisdiction in the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District. Certificate of Authority No. 86 supersedes Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86.

Evidence of insurance on file with the Commission covering the operations of Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours shows coverage only in the amount required for vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 persons or fewer, including the driver. Therefore, Certificate of Authority No. 86 will be so restricted. Such restriction is without prejudice to the right of Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours to file an appropriate application to have the restriction removed upon the filing of proper evidence of insurance covering the operation of larger vehicles.

The certificate of insurance on file with the Commission covering the operations of Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours is currently acceptable for the restricted operations authorized by Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86. However, the coverage afforded by that certificate of insurance is not adequate for operations authorized by Certificate of Authority No. 86. The certificate of insurance on file for Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours expires 12:01 a.m. on Thursday, April 4, 1991. Accordingly, Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours will be directed to file a new certificate of insurance in accordance with Order No. 3623, served March 8, 1991, and Commission Regulation 58 no later than Wednesday, April 3, 1991. Failure timely to file the required evidence of insurance will result in simultaneous issuance and suspension of Certificate of Authority No. 86 on Thursday, April 4, 1991, and the carrier will not be authorized to conduct operations.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

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- 1. That Certificate of Authority No. 86 is hereby issued to Ernest Harrelson trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours to become effective Thursday, April 4, 1991, as appended to this order.
- 2. That Certificate of Authority No. 86 encompasses and supersedes Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86, and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 86 is cancelled effective Thursday, April 4, 1991.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

NO. 86

Ernest Harrelson, Trading as Nation's Capital Sightseeing Tours 3511 - 20th Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20018

By Order Nos. 2447, 2483, 2504, 2953, and 3650 of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission issued August 9, 1983; October 7, 1983; December 2, 1983; December 22, 1986; and March 27, 1991;

WHEREAS, the above-named carrier is entitled to receive authority to transport passengers within the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District;

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY is hereby issued to the said carrier as evidence of the authority to engage in the for-hire transportation of passengers by motor vehicle; subject, however, to such terms conditions and limitations as are now, or may hereafter be, attached to the exercise of the privilege granted to the said carrier:

IRREGULAR ROUTES, transporting passengers between points in the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District:

RESTRICTED TO (1) operations conducted according to the said carrier's applicable tariff on file with the Commission and (2) transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver;

RESTRICTED AGAINST (1) transportation solely within the Commonwealth of Virginia and (2) any passenger transportation for hire on an individual fare paying basis in competition with any existing, scheduled, regular-route, passenger transportation service performed by, or under a contract with, the Federal Government, a signatory to the Compact, a political subdivision of a signatory, or the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY DOES NOT AUTHORIZE ANY TRANSPORTATION BY ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE CARRIER NAMED HEREON.

THIS CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY IS NOT VALID UNLESS THE CARRIER NAMED HEREON IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION.